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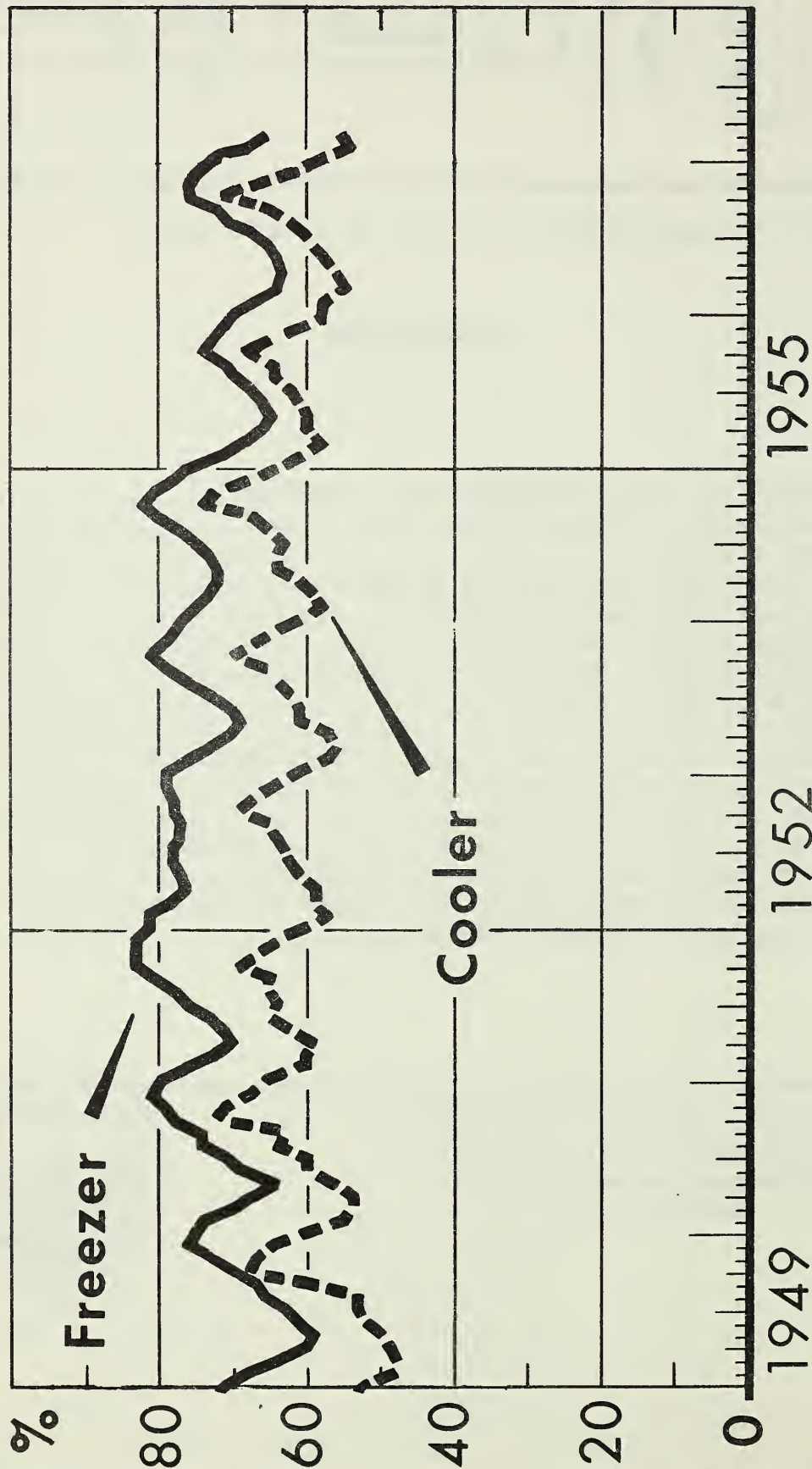
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PERCENTAGE OCCUPANCY OF PUBLIC COLD-STORAGE WAREHOUSES



END OF MONTH OCCUPANCY

COLD STORAGE REPORT

Analysis of holdings and space March 31, 1957

Data for this report are collected from public, private, and semiprivate warehouses, apple houses, and meat-packing plants where food products are generally stored for 30 days or more. Commodities in space owned or leased and operated by the armed services are not reported. All March 31 figures are preliminary.⁷

Commodity summary

Warehouse stocks of frozen pork for the month ended March 31, at 273 million pounds, were about one-third less than a year earlier and almost two-fifths less than the 1952-56 average, according to warehouse reports received by the Crop Reporting Board. Holdings of picnics totaled almost 16 million pounds, the same as a month earlier but hams, at 59 million pounds were down 18 percent from the previous month. Turkey stocks were reduced by 9 percent during March and totaled 137 million pounds by the end of the month. This time last year, 64 million pounds were in storage. Holdings of all classes of frozen poultry were at a high level for March 31 with 260 million pounds in storage. Stocks were larger only once before, in 1946 when 320 million pounds were reported. Refrigerated stocks of butter were increased by 10 million pounds to 42 million. This time last year, holdings were 88 million pounds. Seasonally, stocks of American cheese declined to 345 million pounds which compare with 433 million a year earlier and 332 million, the average for this date. Net accumulations in stocks of shell eggs brought warehouse holdings to 926,000 cases and frozen eggs to 77 million pounds. Shell egg stocks were three times as great as holdings of a year earlier and 45 percent greater than average. Frozen egg stocks were about average for this date but were 25 percent larger than a year earlier. Orange concentrate stocks were at the highest level on record for March 31 with 35 million gallons reported in storage. Frozen fruit stocks were reduced by 42 million pounds during March to total 337 million. The seasonal decline was slightly greater than average but equal to the net reduction of a year earlier at which time total frozen fruit stocks equaled 300 million pounds. Frozen vegetable stocks were reduced by more than usual during March and by the end of the month warehouse stocks were down to 654 million pounds. This time last year, stocks totaled 450 million pounds while 438 million is average for March 31.

Storage occupancy

Public cooler occupancy, at 55 percent on March 31, remained unchanged from a month earlier and comparable date last year, but was 2 points below average. Although the East South Central region showed no change from the previous month, all other regions changed and largest changes were New England up 9 points and Middle Atlantic down 3 points. Public freezer occupancy declined sharply since February 28 and by March 31 was below the 5-year average for the date. Freezer occupancy, at 65 percent on March 31, was 3 points below the comparable date last month, 1 point above the same date last year and 6 points below the 5-year average. Maximum regional declines noted were: New England and East South Central, each down 5 points and Pacific, down 6 points. Cooler occupancy is expected to increase slightly by April 30 while freezer occupancy is expected to continue its decline.

General commodity movement

Seasonal decreased in cooler-stored holdings of fresh fruits, cheese and other dairy products, beef, and miscellaneous products more than offset stock gains for fresh vegetables, shell eggs, dried eggs, pork, canned meats, dried and evaporated fruits, and nutmeats. The aggregate change was a 264 million pounds decrease in cooler stocks which left 1.7 billion pounds in storage on March 31. Reductions in freezer stocks totaled 89 million pounds as gains in stocks of cream, butter, eggs, juices, and pork were insufficient to counter large seasonal

reductions in stocks of poultry, fruits, vegetables, beef, and other meat products. The net change during March was a 3 percent reduction which left 2.6 billion pounds in freezer storage.

Vegetables, juices, and fruits

The March reduction in frozen vegetable stocks was almost 50 percent greater than average and that of a year earlier. The 67 million pound decline left 654 million pounds in storage for the month ended March 31 and compares with 450 million a year earlier and 438 million, the average for this date. Stocks of all frozen vegetable items except peas and carrots mixed, french fries, and spinach were down from the previous month but the reductions were principally in stocks of green peas, snap beans, and corn. Should the reduction in frozen vegetable stocks follow the 5-year average pattern from March 31 to May 31, the 1957 carryover will be the largest on record--about 600 million pounds. Orange concentrate stocks were over 35 million gallons, or practically unchanged from a month earlier. This time last year, stocks were reduced by 2 million gallons and 27 million were in storage. The March 31 average is 23 million gallons. Frozen fruit holdings on March 31 were down 42 million pounds from the previous month to total 337 million pounds. The seasonal decline was equal to the reduction of a year earlier but was slightly larger than average. Current stocks compare with 300 million in 1956 and 249 million, the 5-year average for this date.

Dairy and poultry products

Refrigerated stocks of cream and butter increased seasonably during March. Holdings of cream advanced about 1 million pounds during the month to almost 7 million. These stocks were about average for this date. On the other hand, holdings of butter, up 10 million from the previous month to 42 million, were only about half as great as the stocks of a year earlier. The 5-year average for March 31 is 177 million pounds. American cheese stocks were reduced slightly--4 million pounds to total 345 million by March 31. This compares with 433 million this time last year and 332 million, the 5-year average for this date. Shell egg stocks were increased in all sections of the country and in the East and West North Central regions the gains were particularly heavy. Warehouse stocks totaled 926,000 cases, the largest for this date since 1952. Frozen egg stocks at 77 million pounds were about average for March 31 and compare with 61 million reported a year earlier. As a result of the record turkey stocks of last October 31, when 197 million pounds were in storage, stocks carried over into 1957 continue to be at high levels. On March 31, turkey holdings amounted to 137 million pounds compared with 64 million a year earlier. Holdings of all frozen poultry, at 260 million pounds, were two-thirds greater than holdings of a year earlier and almost two-fifths greater than average.

Meat and meat products

Holdings of beef on March 31 had declined 27 million pounds. This decline was nearly 4 times larger than the net change for March last year and twice the average change. Beef stocks at 177 million pounds on March 31 were 13 percent below the previous month and 6 percent below this date last year. Pork stocks were increased by 15 million pounds by March 31 compared with a decrease of 4 million pounds last year this date and compares with an average increase of 1 million pounds during March. Most of the gain was in freezer stocks, particularly in pork bellies. Total meat stocks had declined 11 million pounds by March 31. This decline was 7 million pounds greater than the net change this date last year and 1 million pounds greater than the 5-year average.

Table 1. Net changes in storage holdings during March (1)

Cooler commodities	Holdings March 31, 1957	March net change		Freezer commodities	Holdings March 31, 1957	March net change	
		Quantity	Pct.			Quantity	Pct.
	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>		<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
Apples.....	342,192	- 270,528	44	Cream.....	6,593	✓ 750	13
Pears.....	29,800	- 19,200	39	Butter, creamery	41,783	✓ 9,837	31
Other fresh fruits	4,926	- 9,277	65	Eggs.....	76,814	✓ 11,171	17
Fresh vegetables..	81,559	✓ 43	-	Poultry.....	260,107	- 31,926	11
Dried & Evap. fts.	39,985	✓ 2,469	7				
Nutmeats.....	167,244	✓ 17,922	12	Fruits.....	337,414	- 42,060	11
Nuts in shell....	74,037	- 258	-	Juices.....	507,659	✓ 43,322	9
Other dairy prod..	7,455	- 1,028	12				
Cheese.....	387,289	- 3,019	1	Vegetables.....	654,118	- 67,495	9
Shell eggs.....	41,670	✓ 18,315	78				
Dried eggs.....	3,401	✓ 309	10	Beef.....	165,750	- 25,741	13
Beef.....	11,563	- 1,122	9	Pork.....	273,290	✓ 8,990	3
Pork.....	76,170	✓ 5,864	8	Other meats.....	22,822	- 2,112	8
Canned meats.....	75,058	✓ 2,743	4				
Miscellaneous.....	372,246	- 6,821	2	Miscellaneous...	294,598	✓ 5,781	2
Total.....	1,714,595	- 263,588	13	Total.....	2,640,948	- 89,483	3

(1) For a detailed breakdown see the tables that follow.

Table 2. --End-of-month apple holdings, by States

State	March 1952-56 av.	March 1956	February 1957	March 1957
	<u>1,000 bu.</u>	<u>1,000 bu.</u>	<u>1,000 bu.</u>	<u>1,000 bu.</u>
Vermont, Massachusetts and Connecticut	264	394	466	246
New York.....	1,064	1,401	2,158	1,262
New Jersey.....	204	196	244	123
Pennsylvania.....	157	140	309	149
Ohio.....	88	84	103	79
Illinois.....	154	74	142	92
Michigan.....	188	179	927	484
Missouri.....	37	24	48	26
Kansas.....	11	8	13	5
Virginia.....	488	295	1,018	505
West Virginia.....	86	78	169	50
Washington.....	3,188	4,390	5,695	3,262
Oregon.....	127	86	137	38
California.....	626	582	1,049	702
Other States.....	197	206	287	106
U. S. Total.....	6,879	8,137	12,765	7,129

Table 3. — End-of-month stocks of fruits, vegetables, and nuts

Net changes in stocks during March and comparisons:

Fresh apples: Decreased by 6 million bushels; March 1956 decrease was 6 million bushels; average March decrease was 5 million bushels.

Fresh pears: Decreased by 384 thousand bushels; March 1956 decrease was 320 thousand bushels; average March decrease was 329 thousand bushels.

Commodity	Unit	March 1952-56 av.	March 1956	February 1957	March 1957
		Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Apples, fresh:					
Western (1)	Standard boxes	4,028	4,932	6,142	3,722
Western	Other containers	118	263	842	354
Eastern	Bushel baskets	950	779	1,192	742
Eastern	Other containers	1,783	2,163	4,589	2,311
Total	Bushel	6,879	8,137	12,765	7,129
Pears, fresh:					
Bartletts	Boxes, baskets, etc.	2	1	9	2
Bartletts	L. A. lugs	(2)	3	3	-
Other varieties	Boxes, baskets, etc.	245	327	879	580
Other varieties	L. A. lugs	(2)	45	145	22
Total	Boxes, baskets, etc.	(3) 253	376	1,036	604
Other fruits, vegetables, and nuts:					
Fresh grapes	Pound	(4)	3,219	11,266	1,889
Other fresh fruits	do.	9,702	6,188	2,937	3,037
Dried & evaporated fruits	do.	38,411	35,912	37,516	39,985
Onions	do.	22,820	17,187	27,095	17,560
Celery	do.	385	595	94	370
Other fresh vegetables	do.	73,624	43,788	54,327	63,629
Nut meats, peanuts	do.	60,167	139,557	110,120	128,320
Nut meats, other nuts	do.	30,575	39,738	39,202	38,924
Peanuts, in shell	do.	3,170	9,220	3,245	4,184
Other nuts, in shell	do.	52,653	61,185	71,050	69,853

(1) Western apples are those grown in Washington, Oregon, California, Wyoming, Montana, Utah, Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico, Idaho and Nevada.

(2) Not reported separately prior to January 31, 1956.

(3) In terms of bushels.

(4) Data not available. Stocks included with other fresh fruits.

Table 4. — End-of-month stocks of frozen fruits and vegetables

Net changes in stocks during March and comparisons:

Frozen fruits: Decreased by 42 million pounds; March 1956 decrease was 42 million pounds; average March decrease was 39 million pounds.

Frozen vegetables: Decreased by 67 million pounds; March 1956 decrease was 45 million pounds; average March decrease was 45 million pounds.

Frozen orange juice: Decreased by .2 million gallons; March 1956 decrease was 2 million gallons; average March change was an increase of .2 million gallons.

Commodity	March 1952-56 av. 1,000 pounds	March 1956 1,000 pounds	February 1957 1,000 pounds	March 1957 1,000 pounds
Fruits, frozen:				
Apples	31,304	42,177	52,727	51,490
Apricots	3,972	7,355	4,505	3,821
Blackberries	8,451	7,721	11,001	9,785
Blueberries	14,253	14,698	11,210	9,523
Cherries	34,966	40,978	33,546	27,057
Grapes	9,420	10,842	18,891	17,926
Peaches	22,214	28,943	31,454	28,891
Plums and Prunes	7,196	7,586	8,036	7,480
Raspberries	19,087	20,993	13,029	10,932
Strawberries	66,070	83,388	153,664	133,150
Youngberries, Loganberries, etc.	7,549	10,707	11,273	10,394
All other fruits	24,916	24,670	30,138	26,965
Total	249,398	300,058	379,474	337,414
Juices, frozen:				
Orange juice	228,393	269,967	352,000	350,486
Gallons equivalent (1)	23,070	27,269	35,556	35,403
Other fruit juices and purees	101,074	129,935	112,337	132,173
Vegetables, frozen:				
Asparagus	7,375	7,452	16,408	13,429
Beans, lima	62,934	65,603	85,479	77,131
Beans, snap	41,207	46,029	61,788	48,400
Broccoli	36,906	34,766	52,003	49,769
Brussels sprouts	17,309	15,286	26,542	23,449
Cauliflower	14,701	16,036	27,560	26,855
Corn, sweet	39,787	39,513	60,599	50,098
Mixed vegetables	(2)	14,066	23,327	21,810
Peas, green	76,403	57,382	169,557	134,568
Peas and carrots, mixed	(2)	6,665	14,044	14,517
Potatoes, french fried	(2)	33,167	57,660	69,086
Spinach	29,240	27,849	26,611	31,176
All other vegetables	111,834	86,574	100,035	93,830
Total	437,696	450,388	721,613	654,118

(1) Converted on the basis of 9.9 pounds per gallon.

(2) Data not available.

Table 5. — End-of-month stocks of dairy and poultry products

Net changes in stocks during March and comparisons:

Cream: Increased by 1 million pounds; March 1956 increase was 2 million pounds; average March change was a decrease of 1 million pounds.

Butter: Increased by 10 million pounds; March 1956 change was a decrease of 10 million pounds; average March change was an increase of 12 million pounds.

Cheese: Decreased by 3 million pounds; March 1956 decrease was 6 million pounds; average March change was an increase of 3 million pounds.

Shell eggs: Increased by 407 thousand cases; March 1956 increase was 3 thousand cases; average March increase was 263 thousand cases.

Frozen eggs: Increased by 11 million pounds; March 1956 increase was 19 million pounds; average March increase was 27 million pounds.

Frozen poultry: Decreased by 32 million pounds; March 1956 decrease was 33 million pounds; average March decrease was 38 million pounds.

Commodity	Unit	March 1952-56 av. Thou.	March 1956 Thou.	February 1957 Thou.	March 1957 Thou.
Cream, milk, and butter:					
Fluid cream	Pound	5,062	6,099	5,375	6,011
Plastic cream (75-85% butterfat)	do.	565	695	468	582
Condensed milk (bulk)	do.	5,304	6,636	4,433	5,048
Evap. and Cond. milk (case goods)	do.	5,271	2,756	4,050	2,407
Butter, creamery	do.	177,028	87,840	31,946	41,783
Cheese:					
American Cheddar	do.	331,519	433,358	349,441	345,414
Swiss, including block	do.	9,820	7,196	10,115	10,353
All other varieties	do.	16,982	19,867	30,752	31,522
Total cheese	do.	358,321	460,421	390,308	387,289
Eggs:					
Shell	Case	640	309	519	926
Frozen eggs, total	Pound	77,303	61,404	65,643	76,814
Whites	do.	22,317	15,477	23,865	26,626
Yolks	do.	19,145	20,031	14,978	16,715
Whole or mixed	do.	31,204	22,180	23,435	29,099
Unclassified	do.	4,637	3,716	3,365	4,374
Dried eggs (egg solids)	do.	4,865	2,807	3,092	3,401
Total eggs (1)	Case	3,125	2,179	2,527	3,254
Poultry, frozen:					
Broilers or fryers	Pound	20,089	22,422	19,848	17,110
Roasters	do.	7,869	5,929	9,255	7,630
Hens, fowls	do.	41,328	33,648	67,496	57,181
Turkeys	do.	87,894	63,859	149,586	136,834
Ducks	do.	2,827	3,194	3,573	2,773
Miscellaneous	do.	8,439	5,919	12,383	11,148
Unclassified	do.	19,973	20,125	29,892	27,431
Total poultry	do.	188,419	155,096	292,033	260,107

(1) Case equivalent. Frozen eggs are converted on the basis of 38.5 pounds to the case and dried eggs on the basis of 10.2 pounds to the case.

Table 6. — End-of-month stocks of dairy and poultry products, by States

March 31, 1957

State	Cream		Creamery butter	American cheese	Shell eggs	Frozen eggs	Total poultry
	Fluid	Plastic					
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 cases	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Massachusetts	3		822	1,708	11	1,064	8,834
Other States			136	443	4	1,241	4,425
New England			958	2,151	15	2,305	13,259
New York	3,212	168	2,756	52,674	49	6,066	24,878
New Jersey	305		1,872	2,935	34	2,674	10,835
Pennsylvania	860	167	1,055	7,711	16	3,372	21,179
Middle Atlantic			5,683	63,320	99	12,112	56,892
Ohio	181		577	7,731	12	3,072	6,365
Indiana			319	2,116		1,883	1,428
Illinois	31		11,319	26,707	464	10,708	32,243
Michigan	370		169	11,399	8	1,211	5,065
Wisconsin	94		1,468	149,278	1	481	1,768
East North Central			13,852	197,231	485	17,355	46,869
Minnesota			12,101	8,103	43	2,183	11,678
Iowa			2,977	2,110	14	5,651	2,878
Missouri	25	136	406	24,690	27	15,341	10,572
Dakotas			164	111		161	351
Nebraska	38		603	19	77	3,024	12,032
Kansas			417	4,068	39	2,689	2,932
West North Central			16,668	39,101	200	29,049	40,443
South Atlantic			1,540	6,450	17	3,881	24,076
Kentucky			284	6,215	4	998	2,109
Tennessee			186	9,595	14	1,367	2,058
Ala. and Mississippi			47	2,541	3	102	927
East South Central			517	18,351	21	2,467	5,094
Arkansas and Louisiana			106	2,857	11	733	3,267
Oklahoma			98	1,850	6	1,032	1,381
Texas	22	11	422	1,725	10	3,003	9,053
West South Central			626	6,432	27	4,768	13,701
Colorado			209	307	7	381	3,204
Other States			541	1,389	1	505	6,734
Mountain			750	1,696	8	886	9,938
Washington			124	227	9	776	3,732
Oregon			387	4,373	1	198	4,472
California	281	6	678	6,082	44	3,017	41,631
Pacific			1,189	10,682	54	3,991	49,835
Other States	589	94					
United States	6,011	582	41,783	345,414	926	76,814	260,107

Table 7. --End-of month stocks of meats and meat products

Net changes in stocks during March and comparisons:

Beef: Decreased by 27 million pounds; March 1956 decrease was 8 million pounds; average March decrease was 14 million pounds.

Pork: Increased by 15 million pounds; March 1956 change was a decrease of 4 million pounds; average March change was an increase of 1 million pounds.

Other meats: Increased by 1 million pounds; March 1956 increase was 8 million pounds; average March increase was 3 million pounds.

COMMODITY	March 1952-56 av. 1,000 pounds	March 1956 1,000 pounds	February 1957 1,000 pounds	March 1957 1,000 pounds
Beef:				
Frozen	190,012	180,362	191,491	165,750
In cure and cured	8,782	8,086	12,685	11,563
Total	198,794	188,448	204,176	177,313
Pork, frozen:				
Picnics	(1)	(1)	15,873	15,914
Hams	(1)	(1)	71,550	58,548
Bellies	(1)	(1)	79,850	92,849
Other frozen pork cuts	(1)	(1)	97,027	105,979
Total	441,607	430,323	264,300	273,290
Pork in cure or cured:				
Dry salt bellies	(1)	(1)	13,511	13,682
Other dry salt pork	(1)	(1)	10,858	9,503
Other pork cuts	(1)	(1)	45,937	52,985
Total	131,857	83,801	70,306	76,170
Total pork	573,464	514,124	334,606	349,460
Other meats and meat products:				
Veal, frozen	15,315	17,300	15,947	14,594
Lamb and mutton, frozen	12,650	9,875	8,987	8,228
Canned meats in cooler	58,274	70,945	72,315	75,058
Total all meats	858,497	800,692	636,031	624,653
Hides and pelts	66,013	62,826	100,149	96,296

(1) Not reported separately prior to 1957.

Table 8. --End-of-month stocks of fishery products (1)

Species	March 1956	February 1957	March 1957
Frozen fish:	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>
Bait & animal food (salt & fresh-water).....	6,454	8,092	9,865
Salt-water:			
Filletts and steaks:			
Blocks and slabs.....	9,069	5,659	3,854
Cod.....	7,025	8,464	8,112
Flounder.....	3,879	4,157	2,156
Haddock.....	8,712	8,256	7,485
Halibut.....	1,368	2,705	2,180
Ocean perch.....	8,511	13,840	11,514
Pollock.....	1,076	1,745	1,523
Salmon.....	315	613	493
Whiting (incl. split "butterfly").....	796	931	663
Other filletts and steaks.....	2,967	4,314	4,054
Fish sticks or pieces (cooked & uncooked, all species).....	6,040	4,478	3,779
Round, dressed, etc.:			
Halibut.....	3,417	8,782	6,982
Mackerel (except Spanish).....	1,281	1,242	980
Sablefish.....	1,955	2,326	2,035
Salmon:			
King or chinook.....	1,391	3,704	2,947
Silver or coho.....	1,056	3,054	2,233
Fall or chum.....	205	703	655
Unclassified.....	565	1,039	880
Smelt.....	855	751	644
Swordfish.....	1,340	1,831	1,941
Tuna.....	422	267	309
Whiting, headed and gutted.....	6,051	4,188	1,745
Other salt-water fish (except bait)....	13,125	13,157	10,249
Fresh-water:			
Filletts and steaks.....	371	1,284	1,024
Round, dressed, etc.:			
Chubs.....	708	661	300
Trout.....	972	990	937
Whitefish.....	1,524	1,793	1,699
Other fresh-water fish (except bait)...	2,844	3,352	2,397
Frozen shellfish:			
Crabs (incl. crab meat).....	1,403	2,389	2,661
Lobster tails (spiny).....	3,972	5,281	4,868
Oysters.....	494	815	1,028
Scallops.....	1,669	2,332	1,945
Shrimp, raw and headless.....	16,149	13,529	10,323
all other.....	7,068	4,792	4,899
Squid.....	270	1,002	828
Other shellfish.....	2,140	2,886	2,828
Total frozen fish and shellfish.....	127,459	145,404	123,015
Cured fish.....	15,229	12,008	11,248
Total all fish and shellfish.....	142,688	157,412	134,263

(1) Data furnished by the Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service.

Table 9. --Commodities stored in public general cold storage warehouses,
February 28, 1957

Cooler commodities	Net Weight	Freezer commodities	Net Weight
	<u>1,000 pounds</u>		<u>1,000 pounds</u>
Apples.....	77,184	Cream.....	4,450
Pears.....	13,250	Butter, creamery....	28,235
Other fresh fruits.....	4,046	Eggs.....	58,954
Fresh vegetables.....	67,153	Poultry.....	262,884
Dried & Evap. fruits...	36,227		
Nutmeats.....	92,104	Fruits.....	288,063
Nuts in shell.....	56,982	Juices.....	204,096
Other dairy products...	8,287		
Cheese.....	266,623	Vegetables.....	508,603
Shell eggs.....	18,945		
Dried eggs.....	2,425	Beef.....	145,374
Beef.....	857	Pork.....	153,452
Pork.....	2,500	Other meats.....	14,893
Canned meats.....	39,642		
Fish.....	9,965	Fish.....	123,467
Miscellaneous.....	161,967	Miscellaneous.....	96,671
Total.....	858,157	Total.....	1,889,142

Table 10. --End-of-month stocks of certain commodities in storage owned by the
Government (1)

Commodity	Unit	March 1952-56 av.	March 1956	February 1957	March 1957 (2)
		<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>
Butter, creamery.....	lb.	152,585	63,201	17,123	22,401
American Cheddar cheese.....	do.	182,410	243,601	159,019	153,879
Pork.....	do.	18,917	7,344	7,797	7,188
Beef.....	do.	24,579	6,197	23,821	11,117

(1) Government holdings are included in the tables of total holdings elsewhere in the report and consist of reported stocks held by USDA, the Armed Services, and other Government agencies. In addition to stocks reported above, the Armed Services hold some stocks in space owned and operated by them on which figures are not available.

(2) Based on actual reports. Estimates on late reports are not included. Current figures will be revised next month.

TABLE 11. -- Cold storage holdings, by geographic regions, March 31, 1957

Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
		Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Fruits, frozen:											
Apples	Pound	1,889	17,874	12,739	2,173	11,845	487	539	156	3,788	51,490
Apricots	do.	43	372	592	195	206	34	109	50	2,220	3,821
Blackberries	do.	20	750	823	1,990	421	1,173	393	26	4,189	9,785
Blueberries	do.	2,265	2,961	2,441	489	550	105	116	32	564	9,523
Cherries	do.	202	8,909	7,586	3,046	1,965	269	581	1,469	3,030	27,057
Grapes	do.	3	7,684	9,503	135	48	81	314	12	146	17,926
Peaches	do.	331	5,385	4,148	2,746	5,095	756	1,297	428	8,705	28,891
Plums and prunes	do.	17	1,882	2,757	431	144	137	177	125	1,810	7,480
Raspberries	do.	450	3,464	2,530	1,196	341	191	146	155	2,459	10,932
Strawberries	do.	3,838	23,748	16,566	17,141	6,597	10,230	3,907	1,461	49,662	133,150
Youngberries, Loganberries, etc.	do.	152	1,123	2,065	395	154	99	179	200	6,027	10,394
All other fruits	do.	2,426	5,098	5,408	2,351	1,140	383	1,114	596	8,449	26,965
Total	do.	11,636	79,250	67,158	32,288	28,506	13,945	8,872	4,710	91,049	337,414
Juices, frozen:											
Orange juice (1)	do.	3,078	14,398	9,591	6,392	285,285	979	3,887	1,842	25,034	350,486
Other fruit juices and purees	do.	3,220	30,508	15,807	9,039	48,034	1,414	3,870	1,214	19,067	132,173
Vegetables, frozen:											
Asparagus	do.	359	3,526	1,225	1,395	2,015	258	423	181	4,047	13,429
Beans, lima	do.	715	16,200	5,151	7,072	11,487	2,451	1,048	3,091	29,916	77,131
Beans, snap	do.	952	19,103	2,924	2,403	4,027	1,233	760	234	16,764	48,400
Broccoli	do.	591	10,895	2,525	2,788	4,527	1,084	1,098	418	25,843	49,769
Brussels sprouts	do.	251	3,361	1,111	3,548	997	572	661	518	12,430	23,449
Cauliflower	do.	271	6,514	1,526	2,330	2,118	535	744	212	12,605	26,855
Corn, sweet	do.	515	9,532	3,935	11,189	2,781	802	934	1,375	19,035	50,098
Mixed vegetables	do.	143	4,045	2,160	3,474	2,119	293	343	196	9,037	21,810
Peas, green	do.	9,091	20,335	8,107	21,549	6,013	1,247	1,546	6,147	60,533	134,568
Peas and carrots, mixed	do.	78	3,000	665	2,006	796	113	181	273	7,405	14,517
Potatoes, french fried	do.	13,551	5,424	4,469	21,891	2,231	827	617	8,671	11,405	69,086
Spinach	do.	402	7,017	2,155	2,821	3,123	1,641	1,476	261	12,280	31,176
All other vegetables	do.	1,685	16,932	13,438	10,278	12,191	5,836	2,883	707	29,880	93,830
Total	do.	28,604	125,884	49,391	92,744	54,425	16,892	12,714	22,284	251,180	654,118
Fruits, vegetables and nuts:											
Fresh grapes	do.	104	1,737	70	68	178	628	16	4	1,785	1,889
Other fresh fruits	do.	1,077	22,149	185	735	1,083	341	1,185	23	6,234	39,985
Dried and evaporated fruits	do.		10,526	3,330	91	47	70	138		3,358	17,560
Onions	do.		41	43	15	6	4	1		260	370
Celery	do.	6,628	15,886	5,226	1,919	999	1,459	1,939	4,113	25,460	63,629
Other fresh vegetables	do.	1,785	652	3,381	155	102,656	5,206	14,179	1	305	128,320
Peanut meats	do.	785	6,275	4,871	2,410	2,420	818	6,504	137	14,704	38,924
Other nut meats	do.		246	398	42	3,185	171	134	8		4,184
Peanuts, in shell	do.	354	2,724	4,611	11,950	20,793	1,378	15,974	1,325	10,744	69,853
Other nuts, in shell	do.	276	1,533	674	36	564	20	20	4	4,002	7,129
Fresh apples	Bushel									565	604
Fresh pears	Boxes(2)		5	5		2		27			

(1) Concentrated and single strength.
(2) Standard boxes, bushel baskets, lugs, etc.

Continued

TABLE 11. -- Cold storage holdings, by geographic regions March 31, 1957 -- Continued

Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
		Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Dairy products and eggs:											
Cream (not including plastic)	Pound	49	4,377	685	63	178	186	49	58	366	6,011
Cream, plastic	do.		335		136	82	2	19	2	6	582
Butter, creamery	do.	958	5,683	13,852	16,668	1,540	517	626	750	1,189	41,783
Cheese, American Cheddar	do.	2,151	63,320	197,231	39,101	6,450	18,351	6,432	1,696	10,682	345,414
Cheese, Swiss including block	do.	15	787	5,217	3,115	7		53	1,034	125	10,353
Cheese, all other varieties	do.	425	10,991	14,651	2,992	617	310	581	461	494	31,522
Eggs, shell	Case	15	99	485	200	17	21	27	8	54	926
Eggs, frozen	Pound	2,305	12,112	17,355	29,049	3,881	2,467	4,768	886	3,991	76,814
Eggs, dried (egg solids)	do.	21	148	264	2,809	109		24		26	3,401
Poultry, frozen:											
Broilers or fryers	do.	736	2,878	1,956	1,882	3,599	562	2,369	504	2,624	17,110
Roasters	do.	1,598	3,066	766	517	374	2	106	39	1,162	7,630
Hens, fowls	do.	3,627	11,059	15,080	16,035	1,375	383	1,344	1,335	6,943	57,181
Turkeys	do.	5,958	23,640	22,643	18,464	11,009	3,005	8,940	7,065	36,110	136,834
Ducks	do.	58	1,085	769	119	365	26	68	45	238	2,773
Miscellaneous	do.	897	3,480	3,425	1,761	636	174	159	129	487	11,148
Unclassified	do.	385	11,684	2,230	1,665	6,718	942	715	821	2,271	27,431
Total	do.	13,259	56,892	46,869	40,443	24,076	5,094	13,701	9,938	49,835	260,107
Meats, meat products and fish:											
Beef, frozen	do.	15,480	24,255	48,092	32,774	5,468	5,352	15,314	2,222	16,793	165,750
Beef, in cure or cured	do.		2,232	2,793	3,276	1,164	307	89	720	982	11,563
Pork, frozen:											
Picnics	do.	144	615	5,828	6,052	802	415	706	333	1,019	15,914
Hams	do.	1,895	4,046	20,842	21,756	2,453	2,067	2,803	554	2,132	58,548
Bellies	do.	2,209	2,745	26,511	46,573	4,909	4,997	1,744	589	2,572	92,849
Other frozen pork cuts	do.	3,533	11,635	33,756	34,531	8,273	3,595	4,442	1,399	4,815	105,979
Pork, in cure or cured:											
Dry salt bellies	do.		401	2,814	8,175	904	244	834	26	284	13,682
Other dry salt pork	do.		328	3,309	4,164	1,073	168	373		88	9,503
Other pork cuts	do.	87	5,103	13,942	20,018	5,577	1,332	2,966	745	3,215	52,985
Veal, frozen	do.	679	2,717	4,801	2,507	693	244	2,055	206	692	14,594
Lamb and mutton, frozen	do.	281	1,881	1,338	1,543	211	96	930	333	1,615	8,228
Canned meats in cooler	do.	9,081	13,432	14,363	31,885	1,093	408	1,483	331	2,982	75,058
Total	do.	33,389	69,390	178,389	213,258	32,620	19,225	33,739	7,458	37,189	624,657
Hides and pelts	do.	2,732	3,852	33,586	43,935	1,967	962	4,522	1,281	3,459	96,296
Fish, frozen	do.	24,367	32,126	14,104	7,726	5,575	7,239	1,810	1,230	(1) 28,838	123,015

(1) Includes fish in Alaska.

TABLE 12.-- End-of-month space and occupancy in public general refrigerated warehouses

State or geographic region	Net piling space reported (1)		Percentage of net piling space occupied							
			March 1952-56 av.		March 1956		February 1957		March 1957 (2)	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
Maine, N. H. and Vt. . . .	406	1,286	37	55	24	46	51	76	58	76
Massachusetts	2,539	6,579	46	77	76	70	63	65	74	58
R. I. and Connecticut . .	318	1,430	34	64	31	46	71	46	63	48
New England	3,263	9,295	44	73	65	63	62	64	71	59
New York	22,414	19,521	49	65	47	60	47	65	43	63
New Jersey	3,868	9,371	59	68	44	58	49	64	58	60
Pennsylvania	4,058	9,169	55	81	57	75	51	78	46	76
Middle Atlantic	30,340	38,061	51	69	48	63	48	68	45	66
Ohio	3,381	6,587	53	80	54	73	57	76	54	74
Indiana	689	1,931	64	79	61	77	65	58	68	57
Illinois	13,787	14,235	63	83	61	78	51	68	58	69
Michigan	3,866	4,362	58	78	55	62	60	72	59	67
Wisconsin	4,987	2,043	66	76	59	66	67	67	64	66
East North Central . . .	26,710	29,158	62	81	61	74	56	69	59	69
Minnesota	1,322	4,634	72	86	76	78	74	75	69	73
Iowa	552	2,753	74	84	72	80	58	55	65	52
Missouri	4,945	8,585	69	77	63	72	60	68	57	62
Dakotas and Nebraska . .	928	3,877	60	83	60	76	65	86	76	86
Kansas	9,260	6,414	61	70	60	75	53	75	49	73
West North Central . . .	17,007	26,263	65	79	63	75	57	72	55	69
Delaware, Maryland & D.C.	1,253	5,385	61	66	45	50	42	62	41	55
Virginia and West Va. . .	4,848	2,310	40	73	34	69	56	77	52	72
North and South Carolina .	371	482	54	83	40	91	35	62	32	54
Georgia	3,478	2,192	85	88	91	88	87	89	89	88
Florida	1,149	10,354	63	71	54	56	69	68	69	72
South Atlantic	11,099	20,723	58	73	56	61	64	69	63	69
Kentucky	951	1,171	68	76	68	68	53	75	55	74
Tennessee	1,662	3,788	73	80	79	80	79	81	76	73
Alabama and Mississippi .	698	860	63	83	38	69	65	65	64	65
East South Central . . .	3,311	5,819	71	80	69	76	68	77	68	72
Arkansas	256	1,273	50	55	49	60	44	39	29	39
Louisiana	932	1,071	71	80	57	68	61	80	64	81
Oklahoma	489	1,219	64	80	67	62	49	63	50	63
Texas	5,760	5,685	62	57	66	59	56	61	58	57
West South Central . . .	7,437	9,248	63	62	65	61	56	61	57	58
Mountain	1,033	4,779	67	75	63	71	69	78	73	80
Washington	1,677	7,930	43	43	30	34	26	54	26	46
Oregon	587	6,404	46	41	28	31	23	56	43	41
California	10,701	19,852	53	69	43	61	53	72	55	70
Pacific	12,965	34,186	51	59	41	50	48	65	51	59
United States (3) . . .	113,165	177,532	57	71	55	64	55	68	55	65

(1) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held March 31, 1957.

(2) Preliminary.

(3) Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

Table 13. --United States refrigerated usable piling space, October 1, 1955 1/

State or geographic region	Type of Warehouse							
	Public general		Private & semiprivate general		Meat-packing plants		Apple houses	
	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.
Maine, N. H. and Vt.....	1,759	485	201	73	2/	2/	5	1,050
Massachusetts.....	9,207	2,533	898	357	302	280	24	3,935
Rhode Island & Conn.....	1,126	486	24	69	2/	2/	22	2,488
NEW ENGLAND.....	12,092	3,504	1,123	499	359	341	51	7,473
New York.....	20,398	22,728	1,882	3,859	666	3,118	104	15,320
New Jersey.....	8,614	6,356	2,451	458	2/	2/	12	2,074
Pennsylvania.....	8,649	6,218	1,185	1,541	2/	2/	283	4,882
MIDDLE ATLANTIC.....	37,661	35,302	5,518	5,858	1,113	4,059	399	22,276
Ohio.....	7,642	4,740	365	400	103	1,891	4	940
Indiana.....	2,157	625	318	151	305	418	2/	2/
Illinois.....	15,732	14,398	4,961	2,229	1,147	3,719	10	1,580
Michigan.....	6,069	5,175	1,139	1,325	(830	(2,105	179	8,434
Wisconsin.....	2,669	6,937	500	4,618			2/	2/
EAST NORTH CENTRAL.....	34,269	31,875	7,283	8,723	2,385	8,133	193	11,158
Minnesota.....	5,628	1,349	2,937	169	1,318	608	-	-
Iowa.....	4,090	908	816	436	1,895	2,208	-	-
Missouri & North Dakota.....	8,612	5,785	297	361	986	2,369	2/	2/
South Dakota & Nebraska.....	3,943	938	1,406	273	1,153	4,980	-	-
Kansas.....	5,586	9,302	731	142	654	1,852	2/	2/
WEST NORTH CENTRAL.....	27,859	18,282	6,187	1,381	6,006	12,017	5	607
Delaware, Maryland & D. C....	5,956	1,077	418	230	2/	2/	-	880
Virginia and W. Virginia....	3,124	8,132	1,064	855	26	184		
North and South Carolina....	1,289	754	354	308	2/	2/	(233	(14,020
Georgia.....	2,387	4,977	118	135	292	627	-	-
Florida.....	11,502	1,238	13,555	490	-	-	-	-
SOUTH ATLANTIC.....	24,248	16,178	15,509	2,018	372	1,110	233	14,900
Kentucky.....	1,169	1,250	2/	2/	2/	2/	-	-
Tennessee.....	4,291	2,034	535	35	217	495	2/	2/
Alabama and Mississippi.....	1,233	1,157	2/	2/	2/	2/	-	-
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	6,693	4,441	650	207	265	571	2/	2/
Arkansas.....	653	277	(330	(75	2/	2/	2/	2/
Louisiana.....	2,529	928			2/	2/	-	-
Oklahoma.....	1,220	540	115	96	809	1,772	-	-
Texas.....	7,949	6,381	345	925	1,051	138	-	-
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	12,351	8,126	790	1,096	1,883	1,914	2/	2/
MOUNTAIN.....	5,083	1,580	1,143	304	416	1,279	2/	2/
Washington.....	10,119	2,289	4,385	797	272	764	671	56,189
Oregon.....	7,578	1,848	3,612	868	(277	(1,755	-	6,903
California.....	24,882	11,451	7,525	13,888			532	6,803
PACIFIC.....	42,579	15,588	15,522	15,553	549	2,519	1,203	69,895
UNITED STATES.....	202,835	134,876	53,725	35,639	13,348	31,943	2,084	127,065

1/ Total storage capacity in the United States and the lowest temperature at which it could be held as reported by the latest biennial survey, October 1, 1955.

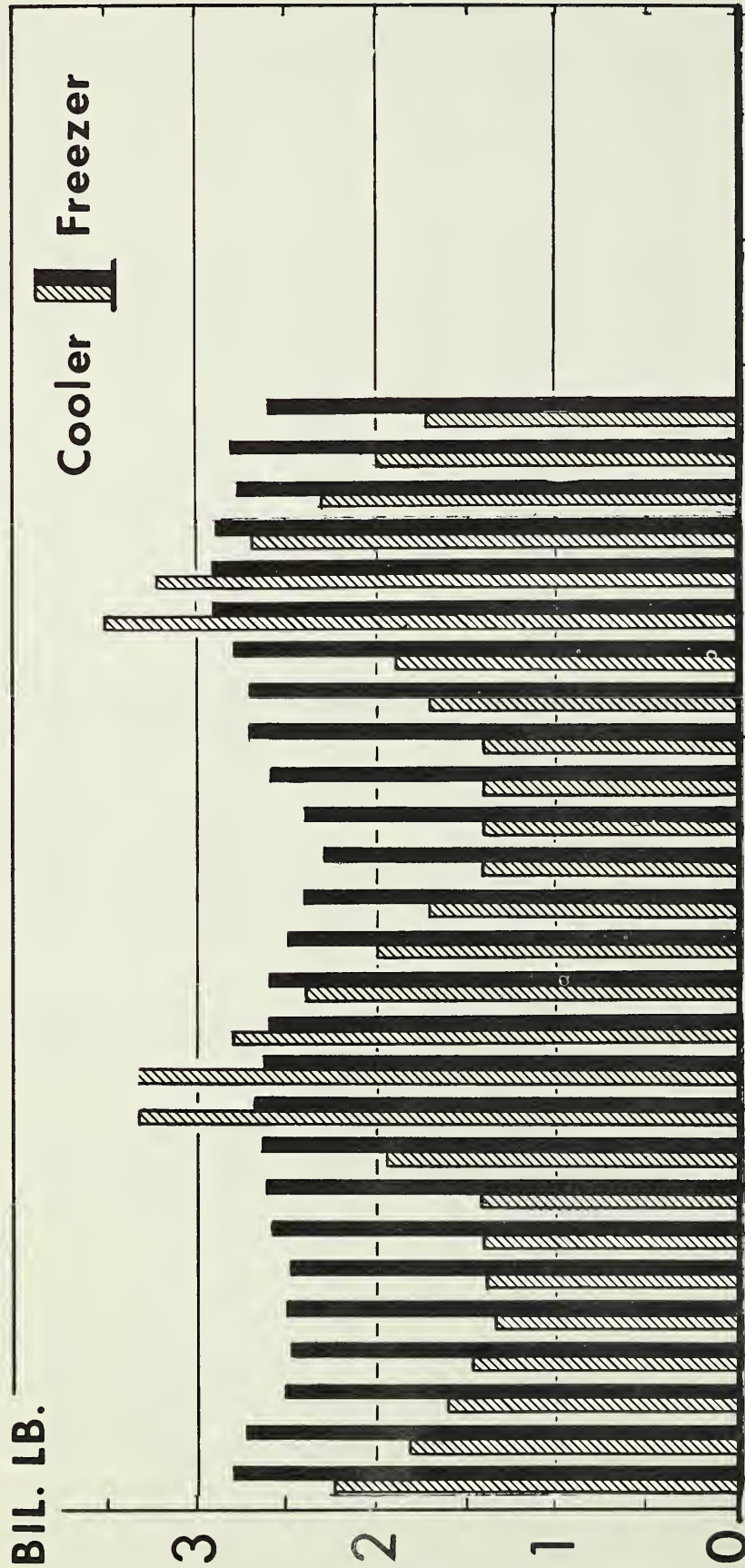
2/ Not shown to avoid disclosure of individual plant reports.

TABLE 14. -- End-of-month space and occupancy in public general warehouses in selected cities

City (1)	Net piling space reported (2)		Percentage of net piling space occupied							
			February 1956		March 1956		February 1957		March 1957	
	Cooler 1,000 cu. ft.	Freezer 1,000 cu. ft.	Cooler Pct.	Freezer Pct.	Cooler Pct.	Freezer Pct.	Cooler Pct.	Freezer Pct.	Cooler Pct.	Freezer Pct.
New England:										
Boston	1,695	4,710	81	82	91	66	66	66	85	57
Middle Atlantic:										
New York (4) . .	6,081	8,580	79	71	81	67	66	67	65	66
Jersey City. . .	3,563	5,777	50	61	44	58	49	66	59	63
Buffalo (4) . . .	1,283	2,247	99	65	99	59	73	70	73	69
Rochester (4) . .	2,321	1,636	32	54	26	45	36	58	32	55
Philadelphia . . .	1,337	5,994	79	75	78	73	64	76	68	73
Pittsburgh . . .	1,488	2,113	63	79	57	77	40	79	40	76
E. N. Central:										
Cleveland. . . .	2,016	2,651	67	73	56	68	57	79	53	76
Cincinnati . . .	(3)	(3)	44	83	42	73	57	70	(3)	(3)
Chicago.	10,841	13,427	62	79	61	77	49	68	55	69
Detroit.	3,293	3,953	53	66	57	64	69	75	67	70
Milwaukee. . . .	313	1,559	69	82	61	83	64	76	64	75
W. N. Central:										
Minneapolis. . .	986	3,567	81	82	84	85	86	78	80	76
St. Louis. . . .	2,225	3,498	72	77	70	79	74	76	70	61
Kansas City . . .	1,759	6,038	62	76	61	77	56	79	60	78
South Atlantic:										
Baltimore & D. C.	1,178	5,098	40	51	45	49	42	62	41	56
Richmond	940	721	58	54	62	61	56	64	62	58
Norfolk	(3)	(3)	82	81	81	90	89	93	(3)	(3)
E. S. Central:										
Nashville. . . .	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)
Memphis.	118	1,564	63	84	62	77	34	75	38	62
W. S. Central:										
New Orleans. . .	787	704	51	69	53	64	59	82	61	83
Dallas	3,511	3,518	67	59	68	55	60	60	61	57
Ft. Worth. . . .	947	1,124	62	59	69	62	30	60	32	51
Pacific:										
Seattle.	719	1,800	41	57	42	44	47	59	46	57
Tacoma	353	1,984	9	36	9	32	7	42	6	38
Portland	338	3,483	46	42	54	33	29	59	31	42
Los Angeles. . .	2,812	6,015	59	75	56	75	78	84	79	83
San Francisco. .	1,745	2,616	45	66	43	67	55	67	61	63
San Jose	2,027	3,547	24	49	21	45	19	71	22	71
Modesto	784	2,512	57	59	52	59	48	58	43	51

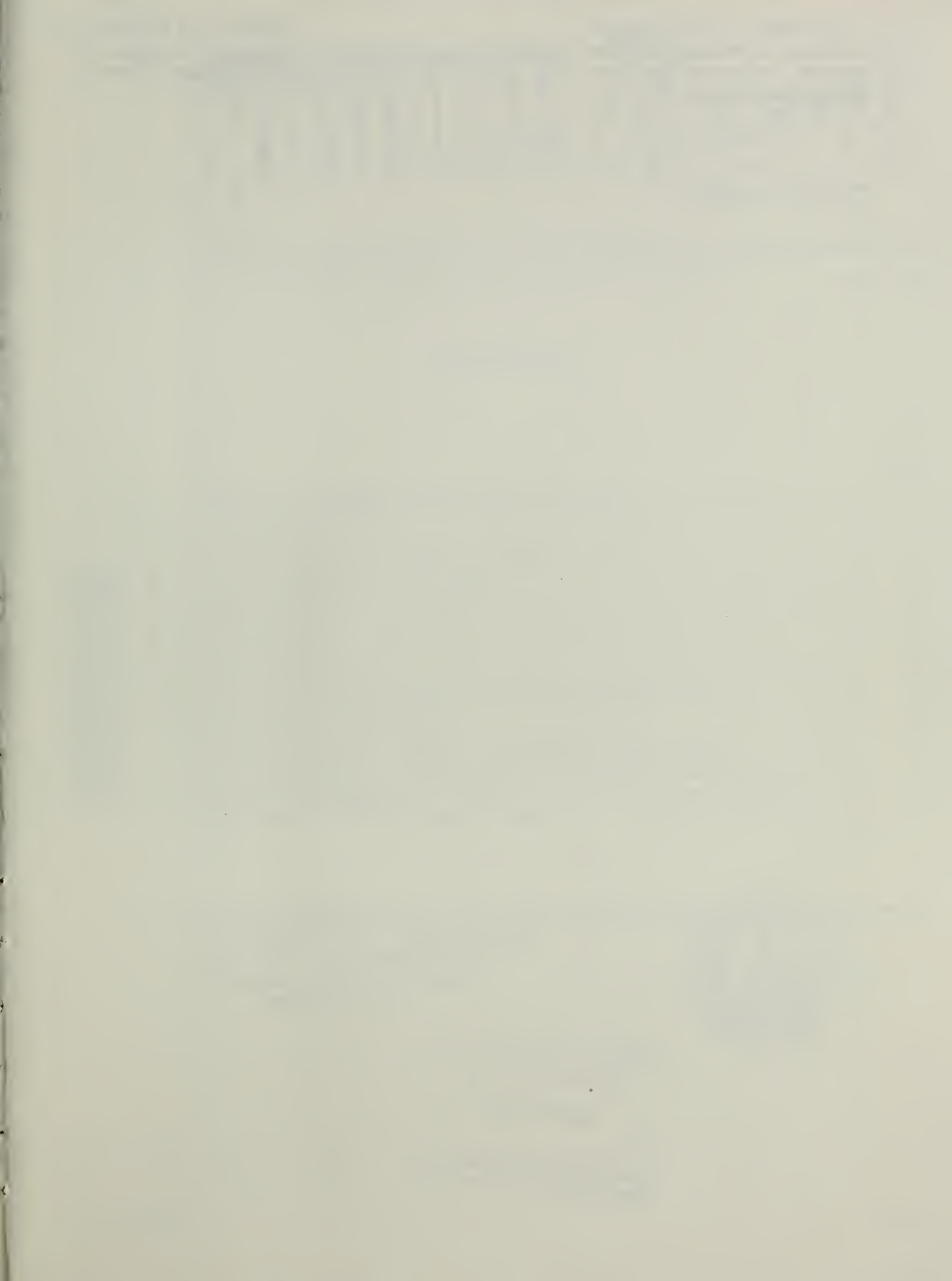
- (1) Space shown includes public warehouses within a 25-mile radius of city named.
- (2) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held March 31, 1957.
- (3) Insufficient returns received from this city.
- (4) Standard Metropolitan area only.

NET WEIGHT OF COOLER AND FREEZER COMMODITIES



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